

1 **Rockford Town Regular Council Meeting**
2 **January 15, 2020 7:00pm**
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5 ATTEMPT HAS BEEN MADE TO DOCUMENT PERTINENT POINTS, THESE MINUTES CONTAIN ONLY A
6 SUMMARY OF THE DISCUSSION AND VOTING.
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9 Mayor Roecks called the regular meeting to order at 7:02pm with the Pledge of Allegiance.
10 Roll call took place. Those present were Councilmembers Clint Stevenson, Micki Harnois, Tim Fricke,
11 William Benson and Brian Laude. Clerk/Treasurer Heidi Johnson and Public Works' Dave Thompson
12 were also in attendance.
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14 **Mr. Fricke made a motion to approve the amended agenda. Mr. Benson seconded the motion. Motion**
15 **was carried.**
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17 **Mr. Benson made a motion to approve the minutes from the 01/02/2020 regular meeting. Mr. Laude**
18 **seconded the motion. Motion was carried.**
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20 ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 21 - Town Hall will be closed 01/20/2020 in observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day.
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23 COUNCIL REPORTS

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26 COMMISSION REPORTS

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29 COMMITTEE REPORTS

30 The Asset Committee will meet March 1st.
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32 PUBLIC COMMENT

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35 ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS

36 **Ms. Harnois made a motion to approve Resolution 20-01, amending the Personnel Policy. Mr. Fricke**
37 **seconded the motion. Motion was carried.**
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39 OLD BUSINESS

40 Ms. Harnois has received correspondence with AWC, who has asked for each entity to provide their
41 Complete Streets Ordinance. There was discussion about what the Complete Streets program is.
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43 Ms. Harnois said she has spoken with Heather Cannon with RCAC again regarding the qualification issues
44 with the Spokane County CDBG program. Ms. Cannon told Ms. Harnois she would ask the Department of
45 Ecology if they would help finance an income survey for the town.
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47 Ms. Harnois said she is filling out the application for a grant, through the Innovia Foundation, to pay for a
48 laptop. The laptop would be used to help residents fill out their census information online, if needed.
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50 NEW BUSINESS

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53 STAFF REPORTS

54 Public Works

- 55 - Mr. Thompson reported that they have been busy moving snow. The grader is having some
56 issues and needs a lot of repair work done. The grader, a Galion, is a 1968 and the town
57 purchased it in 1984 for \$10,000. There are currently no parts available that are needed to fix the
58 issue. Mr. Thompson said we need to start thinking about budgeting for the purchase of a newer
59 one. Mr. Benson suggested checking the military surplus equipment. Ms. Roecks said County
60 Commissioner Mary Kuney got her in touch with a County employee, as they had heard that the
61 County would be auctioning off a couple of graders in the spring. The rep from the County said
62 that their surplus equipment had been auctioned off last fall, but the town could rent one from
63 them for \$80 per hour. Ms. Roecks said that she will contact Ms. Kuney again to tell her thanks,
64 but the town can't afford those rental fees.
65 Mr. Benson complimented the Public Works Department for the great job they are doing with
66 plowing.
67 Ms. Roecks said that if they are finding any downtime between storms, to please don't feel
68 obligated to stay at work. She said staying healthy is the most important thing, and that they
69 should go home to get some rest when they are able.

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71 Clerk/Treasurer

- 72 - The December Treasurer's Report was that there was \$598,583.78 in all funds at the end of the
73 year.

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75 PUBLIC COMMENT

- 76 - Lorrie Engle said that she would volunteer to help residents fill out their census information
77 online if Town Hall was open for this during off-hours.
78 - Resident Jennie Hagen suggested negotiating with the County for use of their grader in
79 exchange for helping them plow when we could.

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81 APPROVE CHECKS

82 **Mr. Stevenson made a motion to reapprove checks 16377-16394 and four EFTs for a total of**
83 **\$13,546.74. Mr. Benson seconded the motion. Motion was carried.**

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85 **Mr. Stevenson made a motion to reapprove checks 16395-16396 for a total of \$370.00. Mr. Fricke**
86 **seconded the motion. Motion was carried.**

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88 **Mr. Stevenson made a motion to approve checks 16406-16411 for a total of \$53,157.15 and checks**
89 **16397-16405 and three EFTs from the 13th month, for a total of \$15,843.24.**

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91 Ms. Harnois said that she was asked to be on the AWC Legislative Committee, and if any of the
92 councilmembers were interested in hearing about any new bills, to let her know.

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94 **Mr. Stevenson a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:35pm. Mr. Fricke seconded the motion. Motion**
95 **was carried.**

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Heidi Johnson, Clerk/Treasurer

Carrie Roecks, Mayor